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OUTFITTERS,  
CHRISTY'S BATH GOWNS,  
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BATHING DRESSES,  
PYJAMAS.  
KENT'S HAIR & TOOTH BRUSHES,  
SOAP, PERFUMERY,  
etc. etc.

# The Hongkong Telegraphy.

"ODOI"  
THE MEDICAL HALL  
DEUTSCHE APOTHEKE,  
70, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
HONGKONG.

ESTABLISHED 1881.

NEW SERIES NO. 451 日七月八日二十二號光 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1896.

三月三日九月三十日 THIRTY DOLLARS  
PER ANNUM.

| BANKS.   |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,   | AUSTRALIA AND CHINA. |
| INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.   | HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.  |
| CAPITAL PAID-UP.....   | \$100,000            |
| RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....   | \$100,000            |
| RESERVE FUND.....  | \$35,000             |
| INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance. |                      |
| On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.   |                      |
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| T. H. WHITHEAD,<br>Manager, Hongkong.<br>Hongkong, 16th September, 1896.                       | [133]                |

| HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.   |              |
|--|--------------|
| PAID-UP CAPITAL.....   | \$10,000,000 |
| RESERVE FUND.....  | \$6,000,000  |
| RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....  | \$10,000,000 |
| COURT OF DIRECTORS:<br>A. McCONACHE, Esq.—Chairman.<br>St. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.<br>Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Esq.<br>G. B. Dodwell, Esq.<br>M. D. Ezekiel, Esq.<br>R. Shawan, Esq.<br>R. M. Gray, Esq.<br>T. JACKSON, Esq.—Chief Manager.<br>Shanghai—J. P. Wade-Gardiner, Esq.<br>London Bankers—London and County Banking Company, Limited.<br>HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED On Current Account at the rate of a per cent. per annum on the daily balance. |              |
| INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:<br>For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.<br>For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per annum.<br>For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.   |              |
| T. JACKSON,<br>Chief Manager.<br>Hongkong, 15th August, 1896.  | [134]        |

| HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.  |       |
|---|-------|
| THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.                       |       |
| INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per cent. per annum.  |       |
| Depositors may transfer all their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK and place on FIXED DEPOSIT AT 4 PER CENT. per annum. |       |
| For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,<br>T. JACKSON,<br>Chief Manager.<br>Hongkong, 1st August, 1896.  | [135] |

| THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.  |             |
|---|-------------|
| Authorised Capital.....   | \$1,000,000 |
| Subscribed Capital.....   | \$100,000   |
| HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.   |             |
| Court of Directors—<br>D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.<br>H. Stoltefort, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.<br>Chan Ki Shan, Esq. Chief Manager,<br>GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR. |             |
| Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.<br>Hongkong, 23rd October, 1896.  | [136]       |

| CARBOLINUM AVENARIUS<br>USED FOR 20 YEARS.<br>With the Utmost Success.                                 |       |
|--|-------|
| Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungi Rot and Dampness. |       |
| Sole Agent for China,<br>SCHEELLE & Co.  |       |
| Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.  | [137] |

## Intimations.

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE.

JASTRAM'S PATENT GOLDEN MEDAL

PETROLEUM ENGINES OF 2 to 12 H.P. FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.

A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P. Engine will be shown and full particulars given on application.

SCHEELLE & CO., HONGKONG,  
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.

47) NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

THE CLUB HOTEL, S. BUND, YOKOHAMA.

HOTEL METROPOLE, 1, TSUKIJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished; the Cubine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT Experienced English, matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing-luggages and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of meeting either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.

Certified Geisha are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager,  
YOKOHAMA.

L. DEWETTE, Manager,  
TOKYO.

## INSURANCES.

THE STANDARD  
is one of the LARGEST and BEST KNOWN of the BRITISH LIFE OFFICES.

FUNDS exceed EIGHT MILLIONS STERLING.

ANNUAL REVENUE OVER ONE MILLION STERLING.

For Forms of Proposal and every information Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896.

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EMPIRE ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.

FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed AGENTS, and are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1896.

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THE MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 4.D. 1894.

CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....\$2,180,053

NET ANNUAL FEE & PREMIUM.....\$75,747

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896.

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NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undesignated AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept FIRE, FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1896.

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GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, TAEL.....\$60,000

EQUAL TO.....\$833,333-33-

RESERVE FUND.....\$315,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LO YEN MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHU, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1896.

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NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODE, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 2, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1896.

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FOR SALE.

The Belgian x 100 A 1 Iron Screw Steamer

"ANVERS,"

2,586 Tons Reg. Gross, 1,996 Tons Reg. Net.

Lying in Hongkong Harbour.

For Particulars, apply to

LAUTS, WEGNER & CO., Agents for

CAPTAIN & OWNERS.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1896.

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## Intimations.

### PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

| FOR         | STEAMERS                    | CAPTAINS                   | TO SAIL          | REMARKS   |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---|
| LONDON, &c. | Kaiser & Hind, C. L. Daniel | .....                      | Next, 24th Sept. | {See Special<br>Advertisement.                              |
| JAPAN       | Ancons .....                | W. D. Madie .....          | Next, 25th Sept. | {Freight Passage.<br>Passage through<br>the Island Sea.)    |
| LONDON, &c. | Calcutta .....              | A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R. ....  | About 1st Oct.   | {Freight<br>Passage.  |
| MANILLE,    | Manila .....                | R. L. Haddock, R.N.R. .... | About 1st Oct.   | {Freight<br>Passage.<br>Passage through<br>the Island Sea.) |
| JAPAN       | Macassar .....              | J. R. London, R.N.R. ....  | About 3rd Oct.   | {Freight or Passage.  |
| LONDON      | Yedo .....                  | J. Challier, R.N.R. ....   | About 15th Oct.  | {Freight or Passage.  |

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1896.

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## Intimations.

### GEIPEL'S PATENT STEAM TRAPS

ARE BEING FITTED TO ALL NEW STEAMERS.

THE LATEST INVENTION FOR SAVING STEAM.

Intimations.

**W. BOFFEY & CO.**  
TAILORS,  
2, D'AGUILAR STREET.

Have an entirely NEW STOCK of WOOLLENS to suit the Present and Coming Season,  
Consisting of—  
**FANCY SUITINGS, DRESS, FROCK and MORNING COAT SUITINGS, ULSTER and  
OVERCOATINGS, BREECHES and RIDING MATERIALS** in variety.  
**FANCY VESTINGS, TATTERSALLS** and others.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1896.

To-day's  
Advertisements.

**THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE  
BANK, LIMITED.**

(Incorporated in Japan under the authority  
of an Imperial Ordinance No. 83 dated  
the 6th day of the 7th Month of the  
50th Year of Meiji.)

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..... Yes 12,000,000  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... 5,250,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... 5,010,000

Head Office—  
YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

Branches and Agencies—  
KOBE, LONDON, NEW YORK, LYONS,  
SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,  
BOMBAY, SHANGHAI

London Branch—  
120, BISHOPSGATE STREET, WITHIN.  
London Banker—  
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.,  
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.,  
THE PARR'S BANKING CO. and the ALLIANCE  
BANK, LTD.

Shanghai Agency—  
No. 21, THE BUND.  
Hongkong Agency—  
No. 6, PRAYA CENTRAL and ICE HOUSE  
STREET.

DRAFTS granted on all the Principal Places  
in JAPAN and CHINA, and on the Principal  
Commercial Centres in EUROPE, INDIA  
and AMERICA, and every description of Exchange  
Business Transacted.

NAO NABEKRA,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1896.

NOTICE.

UNDER the Authority of the Directors and  
with the Sanction of the Japanese  
Minister of State for Finance, I have This Day  
OPENED an AGENCY of the above BANK at  
No. 6, PRAYA CENTRAL and ICE HOUSE  
STREET, Victoria, Hongkong.

NAO NABEKRA,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1896.

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH NORTH  
BORNEO.

GOVERNMENT OF LABUAN.

TENDERS will be received by the  
SECRETARY to the GOVERNOR, Sandakan,  
on or before 30th November next for the  
following REVENUE FARMS for 1897—

OPIUM FARM,  
SPIRIT LICENSE FARM,  
PAVN BROKING FARM,  
CUSTOMS FARM FOR NORTH  
BORNEO ONLY.

GAMBLING RESTRICTION FARM  
FOR NORTH BORNEO ONLY.  
For Particulars apply to  
Messrs. BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

NOTICE.

Captain Tallack will be despatched as above  
Ports on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 10  
A.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

"RICKMERS" EGULAR LINE OF  
STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, HAMBURG AND  
BREMEN.

THE Company's Steamship.

"ELISABETH RICKMERS."

Captain Andersen will be despatched as above  
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK &  
COMPANY, LIMITED,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear compari-  
son with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MILITIA and  
other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the  
Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

M. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received  
instructions from the MORTGAGEE  
to sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION,  
Commencing from  
MONDAY, the 5th day of October, 1896,  
at 2.30 o'clock in the Afternoon at the Premises  
THE FOLLOWING LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES,  
Namely:—

INLAND LOTS Nos. 634 and 630 with the  
HOUSES thereon. Nos. 74 to 94 SECOND  
STREET; Nos. 91 to 111 THIRD STREET; and  
Nos. 1 to 22 SHUNO FUNG LANE.

Each House will be Sold as a separate Lot.

All the above Premises are held from the  
Crown for the respective terms of 999 Years  
granted by the Crown Leases of the Lots, and  
are to be Sold subject to the existing tenancies  
thereof, and to the payment of a proportionate  
part of the Crown Rent reserved, and to the  
Covenants contained in the said Crown Lease.

Further Particulars may be had on applica-  
tion to the Under-signed, at whose Office a  
Sale Plan may be seen.

C. EWINS,  
SOLICITOR FOR THE MORTGAGEE,  
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

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NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day commenced Business as a  
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

W. SHewan.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1896.

**A. S. WATSON & CO.**  
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED AD. 1841.

WINES  
AND  
SPIRITS.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of  
the HONGKONG HOCKEY CLUB will  
be held in the CRICKET PAVILION TO-  
MORROW, at 5 P.M.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNETS.

S. S. "RADLEY,"  
FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNERS of Cargo are hereby informed  
that all Goods are being landed at their  
risk under the Godowns of the Hongkong and  
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at  
Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves  
delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 30th instant will be subject  
to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-  
sented to the Under-signed on or before the 30th  
instant or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"IXION."

Captain Nish will be despatched as above  
Ports on MONDAY, the 28th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1896.

## SWATOW NOTES.

(From our own Correspondent.)

SWATOW, September 2nd.

Since I last sent you some notes like here has been singularly uneventful. Even the weather has been so settled as to give me no opportunity for comments, and although there is still time for a typhoon to visit us and bring destruction in its train, it seems very probable we shall pass through this dangerous season without any atmospheric disturbance. The only thing worthy of notice is the comparatively cool weather we had during the first fortnight of this month. We hear that you have had oceans of very welcome rain, filling your reservoirs to overflowing. You evidently must have had our share of Jupiter Pluvius's favour, for only a very few showers have fallen here lately, although we generally look for wet, unsettled weather this month.

There was another Customs' holiday yesterday, the Mid-Autumn Festival, and work has not yet been properly resumed. The Chinese enter thoroughly into the spirit of these holidays, and little or no business is transacted. Advantage was taken of it by the foreigners to have another sailing race, which was won by Mr. Haesloop's *Aida* on her time allowance of 27 minutes, *Lung Wan* (Mr. Innocent) and *Teaser* (Mr. Jensen) being respectively second and third. The *Tortoise* (*Tekke*), which should have had third place, was disqualified for a foul. The *Lung Wan* was the first boat that covered the course, the *Festung* (Mr. Sturm) and *Poniss Pouise* (the Commissioner's gig) sailed by Mr. Castro having a grand race for second place. The wind, contrary to expectation, was light and puffy, and the large boats were too heavily handicapped in consequence. The Doctor's *Douglas* unfortunately had a mishap early in the race, being rendered hors de combat owing to his mast mast going by the board. If this accident had not happened, I fancy the result of the race would have been very different.

The Macau steamer is rapidly coming on an end, and the Island is now almost deserted. The Commissioner returned to his "Town Residence" to-day, and the community is once more united, as far as the Harbour will allow it to be. Our number has been increased by the arrival of Mr. Wilton to take up his appointment as Assistant at the British Consulate. He has been a long time off duty on sick leave.

The Customs are taking over charge from Messrs. Bradley & Co. of the Shanghai Local Post agency and are working it very well. They are getting their hands in for the anticipation of the Union Postal system, which, I understand, is to be inaugurated early next year, when China enters the Postal Union.

## PROPOSED JUNCTION OF THE STRAITS TELEGRAPHIC SYSTEM WITH THAT OF BURMAH.

### A RAY OF HOPE FOR AN INEXPENSIVE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE.

The Native States residents, in their recent conference, discussed the advisability of a junction of the telegraphic system of the Native States with that of Burmah through the Malay-Siamcoo territory. Such a junction, the *Straits Times* says, might have very important results. It would facilitate inter-state communication, and inter-state trade, particularly as the Native States lines are to be extended through Johore to Singapore. But such a junction would have more extensive results than these. Burmah is connected with the Indian system, and there would thus be established an alternative telegraphic route to Europe, as far as most of the route is concerned. We should have a cheap land line as against an expensive cable route. The rates from India to Europe are comparatively cheap, compared with the rates to Europe from the Straits, so that, in the event of such a junction taking place as that suggested, we might anticipate competition, and a consequent reduction in rates. There should, we think, be little difficulty in taking the wires through, and in getting permission to take them through the semi-independent States north of Perak. It is a subject which should engage, and, no doubt, will engage the serious attention of the Resident-General and the Government of the Straits Settlements.

## INCREASED DUTIES IN MANILA.

A Tariff of new duties to be collected in the Philippines was published in the Madrid *Gaceta* of 23rd August and wired to Manila the same day. A landing tax of two per cent. is to be paid on all cargo discharged and a consumption tax is imposed on the following articles in addition to the duties already in force:—Brandy 10/-, wood, 20 cents per litre; in bottle, 20 cents per litre. Beer, 10 cents per litre. Tinned provisions, 2 cents per kilogramme. Flax, 30 cents per 100 kilogrammes. Salt (at present free), 8/- per 100 kilogrammes. Kerosene, 2/- per hundred kilogrammes.

The export duties have been increased as follows, the unit of quantity being in each case 100 kilogrammes:—

|  | Noway. | Old day. |
|--|--------|----------|
| Hemp.....  | 5/-    | 50/-     |
| Sugar.....   | 1/-    | 0/-      |
| Cotton.....  | 1/-    | free     |
| Manufactured Tobacco.....                            | 3/-    | free     |
| Raw Tobacco from Ceylon, Isabella and Igorrotes..... | 3/-    | 1/-      |
| Raw Tobacco from Vizcaya.....                        | 2/-    | 0/-      |
| Raw Tobacco from other parts.....                    | 1/-    | 0/-      |

A tax of four per cent. which it was intended to levy for difference of exchange has been abandoned.

On the announcement of the new duties the Manila Chamber of Commerce held a meeting and was decided to send a telegram to the Minister for the Colonies asking for a delay of one month before bringing the new duties into force in order to avoid loss on contracts previously entered into. A telegram on the subject was also sent by the British Consul to the British Minister of Madrid.

On the 30th August the Governor-General received a telegram from the Minister for the Colonies stating that the duties must come into force immediately and instructed him to inform the Chamber of Commerce and the Consuls that he (the Minister), regretted that financial necessity compelled him to adhere to the date originally fixed.

## RACIAL RAPPROCHEMENTS.

When publishing the full list of Hongkong subscribers to the fund for the relief of distress caused by the tidal wave in the north of Japan, we called the attention of the Japanese to the fact that China had "subsidized handsomely, thereby showing that in spite of the war and the bitterness still existing in Formosa and the adjacent provinces, the Chinese were ready to 'let by-gones be by-gones,' and extend ready and generous assistance to their former enemies in time of trouble." It is gratifying to note that the *Koko Yushin Nippō* calls the attention of its readers to this significant and laudable indication of goodwill, and says—"They return kindness for enmity. Nothing can be more highly appreciated than this." And on their side, the Japanese are contributing as readily to the relief of Chinese and others rendered destitute by the unfortunate and unavoidable prolongation of hostilities in South Formosa. Thus we see that in the East, as in the West, adversity is the greatest leveller of all differences, when the two races so recently engaged in deadly hostility, and even now carrying on war to the knife in one region, can still sympathise with each other's individual misfortunes, and prove how universally, even in the uttermost parts of the earth, "a fellow-feeling makes us wondrous kind," though the author of this saying never dreamed of such a place as the Far East. In the same spirit the *Yushin* now notes that "A number of foreign residents of Kobe have been seen distributing food or money to the sufferers who have been flooded out of houses and homes and are encamped miserably in the open air since the flood of the 20th August. When even foreigners are found to act so kindly, how much more . . ." This expression, even for foreigners, is worth notice. It indicates that the Japanese regard kindness as something strange in the foreigner, and we hope that this view of the Western character will soon disappear. We believe the idea of public subscription lists for relief of distress, as in the Osaka floods, the *Gifu* earthquake, the tidal wave, and other cases, is a Western idea; formerly in Japan the calls of charity were not responded to in this way—as indeed they hardly could be, for under feudalism there was not the same mechanism for appealing to the public, there was no press, and there was not the same sort of public community. But there are symptoms yet surviving of the old distinction to regard as barbarians all who are not Japanese—the disposition which is the crying evil of fossilised China. For instance, the Editor of the *Chugoku Eiga Shimbun*, writing of his recent visit to Kobe, expresses surprise at being courteously received by the Editors of foreign newspapers here. It would be surprising if courtesy had been shown; but the Japanese have intelligence enough to see that *Ex-servicemen* is a precept which ought not to be applied in such matters; it is applied still by many Japanese to foreigners as a whole, and by some foreigners to the Japanese collectively. Apologising for troubling you, and humbly requesting the publication of this in your columns, and thanking you in anticipation, I enclose my card.

Yours etc.,  
RATEPAYER,  
Hongkong, September 23rd, 1896.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

### THE NIGHT-SONG DIFFICULTY.

To the Editor of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."  
Sir.—Permit me to suggest that the attempt of the Sanitary Board to force on the inhabitants of this colony irresponsible legislation should be stopped. Everything was going on O.K. before the new regulations were issued, and had been going on all right for years.

I have a large family to support and many servants in the house, as the strike of night-singers is causing us, like many others, very great inconvenience. Something must be done at once; but the question is—what ought to be done?

Yours etc.,  
RATESPAYER,

Hongkong, September 23rd, 1896.

### THE ATROCITIES IN TURKEY.

To the Editor of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."  
Sir.—Directly after the Kucheng massacre, some gentlemen in Hongkong kindly took the matter up and arranged for a public meeting.

Rented has lately informed us that mass meetings have been held in England *etc.* those horrible Armenian massacres. Will those gentlemen kindly take the matter up, and see if Hongkong cannot contribute sympathy, and a protest against these brutal massacres?

Apologising for troubling you, and humbly requesting the publication of this in your columns, and thanking you in anticipation, I enclose my card.

Yours etc.,  
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOURER,  
Hongkong, September 23rd, 1896.

### QUEEN VICTORIA'S REIGN.

Never behind the times and characteristically well ahead of its British contemporaries on London namesake suddenly, about four months ago, flashed the following most interesting article upon the drowsy citizens of the great English metropolis, causing, as its perusal will here, no little pleasure and possibly some wonderment as well:—

On the 13th day of September, Her Majesty the Queen—who may heaven long preserve!—will have reigned for a greater period than any other Sovereign in the long and glorious annals of our British Kings and Queens. The knowledge and admiration of this grand historical fact—with the just pride of which it is the cause and source—is in all men's hearts, throughout the length and breadth of the Empire, so that Lord Brayne, by his intention upon the subject which he intends to put in Parliament, does nothing less than give expression to a perfectly universal feeling of interest and curiosity. What Lord Brayne especially wishes to learn is whether it is the intention of the Government, in honour of so extremely and uniquely auspicious an occasion, to introduce a measure in the two Houses of Parliament to constitute this approaching September a general and national holiday. Nothing could be more natural or desirable than that such a day should be set apart officially in the two-fold sense of the ancient word, both as a day of gladness and of popular rejoicing, and, also, as a "holy day" consecrated to solemn and grateful thought by the vast and visible blessings from above which have been granted to this Realm in the fortunate prolongation of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. If anything, indeed, could suggest and could justify to minds piously and loyally inclined an abiding sense of divine favour, shows very particularly for eight and great ends to a separate people, it would surely be the retrospect which any marvelously extended visit of the Queen's reign. The first year of her reign was the first of the electric telegraph. The Channel cable was only laid in 1851, the Atlantic cable in 1856. Since 1870, when the telegraphs were taken over by the State, the number of island messages has risen from 10,000,000 to more than 70,000,000 a year. Then it was one wire, one message, at eighty words a minute. Now six messages can travel by one wire at a speed of 600 words a minute. And the telephone has come in to relieve the telegraph. Postage in 1837 cost four pence a letter from London to Edinburgh thirteen pence!

Exports and imports combined amounted in 1837 to about £140,000,000; in 1864 to more than £680,000,000. Then 1,200 articles were subject to Customs duty; now less than one dozen.

ARE THE PEOPLE BETTER OFF?

But are the people better off than they were in 1837? In 1837 every person of the income Tax raised, exclusive of Ireland, £700,000; now it brings in (inclusive of Ireland), two and a quarter millions sterling. Probate duty was paid on £50,000,000 in 1838; in 1864, on £16,000,000. Whilst the population has increased by fifty per cent., the wealth of the country has trebled. Agriculture has not advanced like other industries; but land in Great Britain advanced under Schedule B stood at £46,000,000 a year in 1842, and in 1864 was not less, but slightly more.

Peasants in England and Wales numbered, in 1839, 1,137,000, and in 1842 1,429,000, but now only 800,000.

The poor lived in cellars, and had none of the modern means of access to the country. The few parks were closed to them. No wonder that, in 1837, committed criminals in England and Wales numbered 21,600; in 1863 there were but 12,300.

The convict population in 1833 was 10,000; by 1863 had fallen to 4,345 prisoners and perhaps 2,000 ticket-of-leaves men. In 1837 there was no effective police force anywhere in Great Britain save in London.

Then the lower orders were seething with discontent, breaking out into riots and Chartism. But now "universal content has succeeded universal agitation." Wages are higher. The necessities and luxuries of the poor are cheaper. Legislation has regulated conditions of labour and has compelled sanitation; and the free library is coming to be almost universal.

The first annual grant made by the State for education dates from 1850. Then the grant was £40,000; now it is £5,000,000.

In 1836 one child out of every 80 people was at school, but one person out of every 20 was a pauper, and one out of every 700 was a criminal. In 1860 one child out of every 8 was at school; but only one person out of every 25 was a pauper, and only one person out of every 2,000 was committed for trial.

Social difficulties are grave, but decreasing when the Queen comes to the throne, economic opinion "recognised but one good self-interest" and Adam Smith as his prophet. Now the prevailing tendency has registered itself in the word "altruism."

WHAT CIVILISED COUNTRIES CALL THE DEMOCRATICIDE OF CHINA KNOWS TO BE THE APPRECIATION, OR ADVANCE IN THE PRICE OF GOLD. Chinese dollars and American dollars were worth the same twenty years ago; to-day one American dollar is worth two Chinese dollars, although you can buy just as much domestic produce and manufactured goods to-day with a Chinese dollar as ever you could. What has caused this advance in the American dollar? Unwise legislation. Civilised countries think the Orientals idiots enough to give two hard earned, oriental silver dollars for one of their illegitimate gold dollars. No. They won't do it. They will let the Jews have the gold dollars to pay the streets of the New Jerusalem with. The Chinaman is going to manufacture and sow and reap for himself, and I am here to show him how to do it, and to help him do it. With a margin of 100 per cent. in his favour what can't he do, and who in the gold-digging countries is patriotic enough to let all money hide, or even get two per cent.—the bank rate of England when placed to the charge of silver when he can send it out here by me and I will work for the good people of China and let them take their time for repaying the expenditure?

PATRIOTISM AND THE MAIN CHANCE.

I have known Englishmen to be patriotic enough to pay two-pence each for second-hand English eggs when they could buy fresh Italian eggs for a penny! Frenchmen patriotic enough to print money for a small change in their own language; but none of them, when it comes to a question of our history,

and active part in State ceremonies, as she always steadfastly discharges State business. For next year, therefore, if all goes well, preparations ought to be commenced early and heartily for national rejoicings of an adequate and most memorable kind. The whole world ought to see and admire how the British race can show its gratitude to Heaven and its fast attachment to those institutions which have grown with its growth, taken shape by its aspirations and advances, and are to-day the secret of its strength and vast influence. Nevertheless, the 2nd of September, being the laminate and crossing-line of so remarkable a period, deserves to have its own significance of commemoration, and we hope again that heartily everybody will do well and dutifully to set its wits to work to hit upon appropriate and generous and genial methods of taking care that Queen's Day this year "shall never be forgot."

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Our possessions in North America and Australia have been greatly increased.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks

have been placed in small lots at declining rates down to 10% per cent. premium, closing with sellers. The London quotation is £43 10/-.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have been sold at \$350 and are steady at the rate.

China Traders are quiet with small sellers at \$38. Yangtze are expected for \$1,350 without finding sellers. Straits are steady at \$32 1/2.

PIPE INSURANCES.—Hongkong Fires have been sold at \$345 and China Fires at \$37 and both are offering at quotations.

SHIPPING.—A fairly large line of Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboats have changed hands at \$330 and are steady at the rate.

Fire Insurance.—Hongkong Fires have been sold at \$345 and China Fires at \$37 and both have dropped still further and sales at \$35 have been effected although at this rate there are more buyers.

RUMMIES.—China Sugars have been made of a medium of a very large business both for cash and time and have been placed at advancing rates up to \$133 and at equivalent rates forward; at the close the market is quiet at \$131. It is rumoured that, owing to the increased demand for refined sugar, both Refineries are again working full power. Luxurious are neglected, and will probably remain out of favour till affairs in Manila become more settled.

MINING.—Perjams, owing to a strong bear

element, have been handled rather severely and "scots" have been able to cover to a small extent at \$95 and \$10. The market is, however, again much firmer owing to latest advices from the mines being very satisfactory, and after the settlement, which is rather a heavy loss on this stock, a sharp reaction may be looked for. Raubs are in favour at \$31, but no shares appear to be obtainable. The general clean up for eight weeks resulted in 11,760 ounces melted gold cut out of 20,000 tons of ore crushed. New Balmorals and Oliver's are neglected owing to the General Managers having received a telegram from Australia which indicates the probable failure of the negotiations for the sale of the joint properties. Jelebus are offering at \$31 1/2.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been taken off the market at 200 and 205 per cent premium and at 207 and 208 per cent premium for December. The market closed quiet at 202 per cent premium. Kowloon Wharf shares have been in some demand with the result that the rate has advanced to \$38 after sales at \$35, \$36, \$37 and \$38.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands are very firm at \$75 and no shares are obtainable. Kowloon Lands are quiet at \$78. West Points are wanted at \$183. Hongkong Hotels are unchanged at \$20.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements have been placed at \$174 and are firm at the rate. A. S. Watsons have been sold at \$120 and are wanted. Hongkong Electrics have

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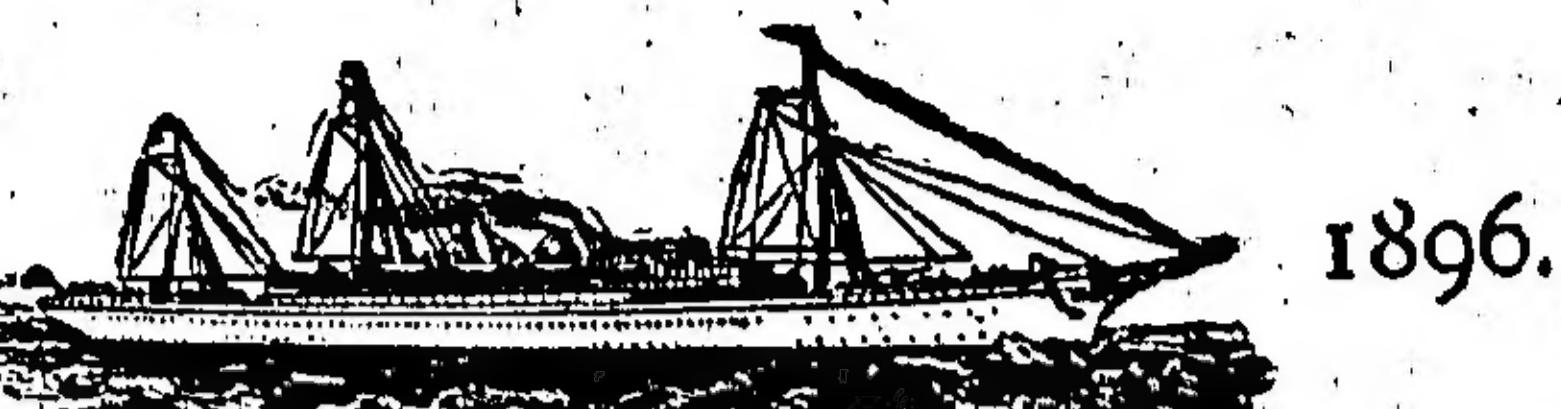
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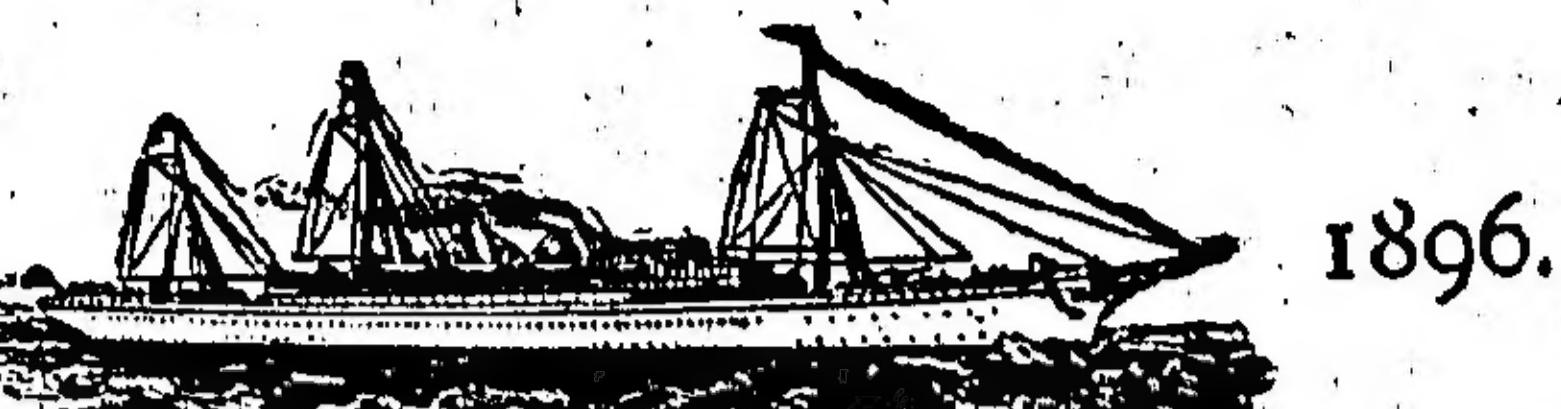
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